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CALFED Program

General Recommendations

Action. The Subcommittee adopted supplemental report language to request that the administration to submit a zero-based budget for the CALFED program for the 2006-07 budget year. (To be drafted by staff.)

Vote. 2-0 (Dutton)

Action. The Subcommittee adopted trailer bill language that would require the administration to provide the following: (1) additional information on the state operations bond funds included in the base budget, and (2) budget change proposals for all local assistance and capital outlay expenditures supported by bond funds. The information on the state operations, supported by bond funds, can be provided in a supplemental report or as an addendum to other bond-related budget change proposals being submitted. (To be drafted by staff.)

Vote. 2-0 (Dutton)

Funding Summary

Technical Corrections. The following chart summarizes the staff recommendations for the Senate's alternative CALFED budget for 2005-06.

Staff has been informed that there are several technical corrections that need to be made. These corrections include the following:

- The technical correction related to extra surface storage funds included in the Governor's base budget was inadvertently deleted twice by the Senate's version of the budget. Thereby making the total DWR budget approximately \$19 million lower than it should be.
- The Governor's budget counts the desalination BCP as part of the CALFED budget and the Senate's budget did not. However, the Senate approved the desalination BCP on Part I of the May 9 agenda.
- The Senate's budget for the State Water Resources Control Board did not include \$144,000 in the base budget for Water Transfers. This information was not provided to the Senate from the board.

These corrections along with any other technical corrections will be made at the May 17 meeting of the Subcommittee.

Department (\$ in thousands)	Governor's Budget	Senate's Budget	Difference
Conservation	\$3,330	\$330	-\$3,000
Forestry and Fire Protection	154	154	0
Fish and Game	3,375	3,209 *	-166
Bay Conservation & Development Commission	88	0	-88
Water Resources	166,009	72,692 *	-93,317
Bay-Delta Authority	38,913	33,839 *	-5,074
Water Resources Control Board	8,315	1,902	-6,413
Total	\$220,184	\$112,126 *	-\$108,058

*Pending resolution of open items in each category.

3480 Department of Conservation

Action. The Subcommittee took action to approve the checked items in the “Approve” column and to deny the items that are blank in the “Approve” column.

Vote. 2-0 (Dutton)

Activity (\$ in thousands)	Amount	Fund Source	Positions	Approve
BASE BUDGET				
Oversight and Coordination	\$96	Soil Conservation Fund	1.0	X
Watershed Program				
- Watershed Coordinator Grants	3,000	Prop 50	0.0	
- Watershed Program Technical Staff Support	234	Prop 50	2.0	X
Total Governor's Budget	\$3,330		3.0	
Total Senate Budget	\$330		3.0	

3540 Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

Action. The Subcommittee took action to approve the checked item in the “Approve” column.

Vote. 3-0

Activity (\$ in thousands)	Amount	Fund Source	Positions	Approve
BASE BUDGET				
Watershed Program				
- Watershed Program Technical Information Support: Watershed Assessment Manual and Fire and Resource Assessment Program Watershed Resources	\$154	Prop 50	0.0	X
Total Governor's Budget	\$154		0.0	
Total Senate Budget	\$154		0.0	

3600 Department of Fish and Game

Action. This item was left open because the department has not provided staff with sufficiently detailed information to determine what the funds are being used for. Staff recommends that the Subcommittee direct the department to work with staff to provide additional information on what is being funded in the department's base budget to support the CALFED program.

Vote. No vote taken.

Activity (\$ in thousands)	Amount	Fund Source	Positions	Approve
BASE BUDGET				
Oversight and Coordination	\$166	General Fund	2.0	
Ecosystem Restoration Program				
- Supports regional plan development, field studies, review of permits and environmental documentation, restoration projects.	\$4,350	Prop 50	23.0	Open
- Supports regional plan development, field studies, review of permits and environmental documentation, restoration projects.	\$628	General Fund	5.5	Open
Conveyance Program				
- Supports studies to define fish movement in the delta, assist in the development of technologies in water transfer and fish screening, examine sources of predation.	\$84	General Fund	1.0	Open
Science Program				
- Endangered Species Act compliance for the Interagency Ecological Program and the analysis and dissemination of other scientific data.	\$300	Prop 50	5.0	Open
- Endangered Species Act compliance for the Interagency Ecological Program and the analysis and dissemination of other scientific data.	\$228	Striped Bass Stamp	1.0	Open
APRIL FINANCE LETTER				
Ecosystem Restoration Program				
- Technical correction to eliminate one-time funding inadvertently left in the Governor's proposed budget.	-\$2,381	Prop 50	0.0	X
Total Governor's Budget	\$3,375		37.5	
Total Senate Budget	\$3,209 *		35.5	

*Pending resolution of open items.

3820 San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission

Action. This item was left open.

Vote. No vote taken.

Activity (\$ in thousands)	Amount	Fund Source	Positions	Approve
BASE BUDGET				
Oversight and Coordination	\$88	General Fund	1.0	
Total Governor's Budget	\$88		1.0	
Total Senate Budget	\$0		0.0	

3860 Department of Water Resources

Action. The Subcommittee took action to approve the checked items or amended items in the “Approve” column, deny the items left blank, and leave open the items marked as open pending additional information.

The Subcommittee directed the department to report on the impacts of these actions on staff and ways in which the Subcommittee could amend the proposal to reduce negative impacts of CALFED program staff.

The Subcommittee directed the department to provide staff with information regarding the local matching requirement for the Delta Levee Maintenance Subventions program.

The Subcommittee directed the department to provide staff with information regarding its plans for implementing fish passage structures on the Calaveras River.

Vote. 2-0 (Dutton) on all items except for the following:

- Levees
- Watershed
- Storage

The items listed above received a 3-0 vote.

Activity (\$ in thousands)	Amount	Fund Source	Positions	Approve
BASE BUDGET				
Oversight and Coordination				
- Supports review of CALFED-related encroachment permit applications submitted to the Reclamation Board.	\$263	General Fund	2.0	X
Ecosystem Restoration Program				
- Supports federal-state cost-share agreement between DWR, USBR, USFWS, and DFG for fishery restoration activities.	\$1,575	Prop 204	1.0	Open
- Supports studies and grants to address water quality problems causing low dissolved oxygen in the Stockton Deep Water Ship Channel and mercury issues. (These funds are not local assistance.)	\$10,016	Prop 13		Open
- Supports Fish Passage Improvement Program to do fish passage assessment.	\$1,155	Prop 50	5.6	Open
- Supports Aquatic Restoration Planning and Implementation Program to develop fish passage opportunities in the Yolo Bypass.	\$1,011	Prop 50	3.0	
- Supports activities to manage the Four Pumps Agreement to mitigate fish loss at the State Water Project's Delta Pumping Plant.	\$4,385	State Water Project Funds	3.0	X

Activity (\$ in thousands)	Amount	Fund Source	Positions	Approve
Environmental Water Account				
- Environmental Water Account asset purchases.	\$17,548	Prop 50	0.0	Approve \$8.8 million
- Environmental Water Account purchases state support.	\$550	Prop 50	5.0	Approve \$225,000
Water Use Efficiency				
- Supports the California Irrigation Management Information System and provides technical assistance and outreach for water conservation activities.	\$1,135	General Fund	6.0	X
- Supports administration of Chapter 7 Water Use Efficiency grant program and Chapter 6 Desalination Grant Program.	\$1,113	Prop 50	5.0	X
- Supports technical assistance and review of agricultural water management plans, urban water management plans, and development of new water conservation technologies.	\$1,792	Energy Resources Program Account	10.0	Open
- Loans for agricultural water conservation and agricultural water use efficiency programs.	\$8,436	Prop 13	0.0	
Water Transfers				
- Supports maintenance of the CALFED Water Transfer Clearinghouse and On Tap water transfer database. Also supports coordination with CALFED EWA, Sacramento Valley Water Management Program, and CALFED ERP.	\$460	General Fund	1.5	
Watershed Management				
- Supports administration of Watershed grant program.	\$254	Prop 50	2.0	X

Activity (\$ in thousands)	Amount	Fund Source	Positions	Approve
Drinking Water Quality				
- Supports modeling ways of improving water quality in the Delta.	\$79	General Fund	0.0	X
- Supports data analysis and Delta computer modeling support for the CALFED drinking water quality program. The current focus is on improving water quality modeling of the upper San Joaquin River.	\$164	Prop 50	1.0	X
- Supports contracts with the Contra Costa Water District for the Old River-Byron Tract and Rock Slough-Veale Trace Water Quality improvement project and with USGS for the Low Intensity Chemical Dosing study project.	\$2,022	Prop 13	0.0	
Levees				
- Supports staff to implement the Delta Levees Special Projects Program, Delta Levee Maintenance Subvention Program, Emergency Response, Risk Management, and Subsidence Research.	\$1,960	Prop 50	13.0	X
- Supports staff to implement the Delta Levees Special Projects Program, Delta Levee Maintenance Subvention Program, Emergency Response, Risk Management, and Subsidence Research.	\$373	State Water Project Funds	2.0	X
- Supports local assistance for the Delta Levee Maintenance Subventions Program.	\$16,817	Prop 50	0.0	X
Storage Program				
- Supports funding for grants for the Local Groundwater Assistance grant program.	\$6,400	Prop 50	0.0	
Water Supply Reliability				
- Supports technical support in regional planning and acts as project managers on 22 MOU partnerships throughout the state.	\$1,868	Prop 50	14.0	Open

Activity (\$ in thousands)	Amount	Fund Source	Positions	Approve
Conveyance Program				
- Supports North Delta Flood Control and Ecosystem Restoration Project.	\$465	General Fund	3.0	Open
- Supports construction of four permanent operable barriers and removal of four temporary rock barriers in the South Delta. Supports evaluation of fish screen intake alternatives, Delta Cross Channel re-operations, and Through-Delta Facility alternatives.	\$14,413	State Water Project Funds	30.0	X
Science Program				
- Supports monitoring and special studies of the water quality and ecology of the San Francisco estuary. Also supports contracts with DFG, USFWS, USGS, and various universities and laboratories.	\$6,201	State Water Project Funds	14.0	X
BUDGET CHANGE PROPOSALS				
Water Use Efficiency Program				
- Funds Chapter 7 water use efficiency grants.	\$30,136	Prop 50	0.0	
- Supports science and monitoring of existing water use efficiency projects to support awarding future grants.	\$1,802	Prop 50	0.0	X
- Supports contracts that would provide technical assistance to local entities for special water use efficiency projects.	\$2,034	Prop 50	0.0	

Activity (\$ in thousands)	Amount	Fund Source	Positions	Approve
Storage Program				
- Supports evaluation of the feasibility of north of delta storage (Sites reservoir).	3,300	Prop 50	37.0	X
- Supports the federal government's efforts to evaluate the possibility of enlarging Shasta Lake.	100	Prop 50	0.0	
- Supports continued evaluation of the feasibility of in-Delta storage.	2,000	Prop 50	0.0	
- Supports a contract with Contra Costa Water District and state staff to evaluate the feasibility of enlarging Los Vaqueros reservoir.	3,200	Prop 50	0.0	Open
- Supports evaluation of additional upper San Joaquin River Storage.	1,000	Prop 50	0.0	X
- Supports evaluation of common assumptions to help in the evaluation of each of the storage proposals and to make comparisons among them.	1,000	Prop 50	0.0	X
Water Supply Reliability				
- Supports contracts for projects that increase water supply reliability through the planned, coordinated management and use of groundwater and surface water resources.	7,000	Prop 50	0.0	Open

Activity (\$ in thousands)	Amount	Fund Source	Positions	Approve
Conveyance Program				
- Supports the South Delta Hydrodynamic Investigation to continue the second phase of the investigations and to improve understanding of the hydrodynamics of the central and south Delta regions.	1,000	Prop 13	1.3	X
- Supports the evaluation of fish facility improvement alternatives (fish screens) related to the South Delta Fish Facility Improvements program.	800	Prop 13	4.6	
- Supports fish collection, handling, transportation, and release study as part of the Tracy Fish Test Facility Project.	712	Prop 13	3.7	
- Supports design and construction costs for the South Delta Improvements Program permanent operable barriers.	26,600	Prop 13	0.0	
Watershed Program				
- Supports staff and contracts to provide technical assistance and coordination of the state's Watershed program.	857	Prop 50	5.0	
APRIL FINANCE LETTER				
Conveyance Program				
- Supports the development of the Frank's tract project.	2,700	Prop 50	3.0	
- Supports the development of the Frank's tract project.	309	State Water Project Funds	0.0	X

Activity (\$ in thousands)	Amount	Fund Source	Positions	Approve
Watershed Program				
- Reappropriation of \$830,000 in Proposition 50 bond funds that were not expended in the current year due to position vacancies to continue technical assistance related to the Watershed grant program.				X
- Reverts \$3 million Proposition 50 bond funds that have been shifted to the Department of Conservation and were inadvertently left in the Governor's proposed budget.				X
Ecosystem Restoration Program				
- Reappropriation of \$500,000 in Proposition 50 bond funds that were not expended due to position vacancies to continue work on the Calaveras River instream structure and fish passage study.				X
Storage Program				
- Technical correction to eliminate one-time funding inadvertently left in the Governor's proposed budget.	-\$18,996	Prop 50	0.0	X
Total Governor's Budget	\$166,009		175.7	
Total Senate Budget	\$72,692 *		152.4	

*Pending resolution of open items.

3870 California Bay-Delta Authority

Action. The Subcommittee approved the checked items in the “Approve” column, denied the blank items in the “Approve” column and left open items marked as open.

Additional information is needed regarding why the Ecosystem Restoration Program expenditures should continue to be implemented by the Authority and not by the Department of Fish and Game (the implementing agency for the Ecosystem Restoration Program element).

Vote. 2-0 (Dutton)

Activity (\$ in thousands)	Amount	Fund Source	Positions	Approve
BASE BUDGET				
Oversight and Coordination				
- Supports Bay-Delta Advisory Committee, environmental justice, tribal relations, public outreach, delta improvements package, regional coordination, performance measure development, long-term finance plan development, and other administrative functions.	\$6,600	General Fund	42.0	X
Ecosystem Restoration Program				
- Supports monitoring of ecosystem restoration projects.	\$166	General Fund	2.0	Open
- Supports contracts for work on various 415 ecosystem restoration projects.	\$5,200	Prop 50	0.0	Open
- Supports staff to monitor and manage the work being done on the ecosystem restoration program contracts.	\$523	Prop 50	5.0	Open
Conveyance Program				
Drinking Water Quality Program				
Environmental Water Account				
Levee Program				
Storage Program				
Watershed Program				
Water Use Efficiency Program				
- Supports staff and contracts to monitor projects in all of the programs listed above.	\$1,200	General Fund	6.0	X
- Supports recipient agreements to implement and monitor the Proposal and Solicitation Process for various projects in the programs listed above.	\$3,900	Prop 50	1.0	Open

Activity (\$ in thousands)	Amount	Fund Source	Positions	Approve
Science Program				
- Supports contracts and positions to support the independent science board and technical panels.	\$13,000	Prop 50	3.0	Open
- Supports contracts to support the independent science board and technical panels.	\$3,000	General Fund	0.0	Open
BUDGET CHANGE PROPOSALS				
Ecosystem Restoration Program				
- Supports various ecosystem restoration projects. These funds were appropriated in 2002-03, but because of delays and cancellations these funds were not expended.	\$5,074	Prop 204	0.0	
Conveyance Program				
- Supports scientific monitoring of the Delta Cross Channel, Through-Delta Facility, Frank's Tract, South Delta Hydrodynamic and Tracy Test Facility investigations.	250	Prop 50	0.0	X
APRIL FINANCE LETTER				
Ecosystem Restoration Program				
- Reappropriation of \$54.7 million in Proposition 50 bond funds to support contracts and grants for ecosystem restoration projects, including the Battlecreek Watershed.				X
Total Governor's Budget	\$38,913		59.0	
Total Senate Budget	\$33,839 *		59.0	

*Pending resolution of open items.

3940 State Water Resources Control Board

Action. The Subcommittee took action to approve the checked items in the “Approve” column and deny the items left blank.

Vote. 3-0

Activity (\$ in thousands)	Amount	Fund Source	Positions	Approve
BASE BUDGET				
Watershed Program				
- Supports management of grants awarded by the board in past grant cycles.	\$299	Prop 50	3.0	X
- Supports monitoring of project progress on grants awarded by the board in past grant cycles.	\$82	Prop 13	0.8	X
Water Use Efficiency Program				
- Supports management of water recycling grants awarded by the board in past grant cycles.	\$888	Prop 50	9.1	X
- Supports management of water recycling grants awarded by the board in past grant cycles and the review and awarding of new grants. Also includes technical outreach and assistance to disadvantaged communities.	\$421	Prop 13	4.2	X
- Funds for water recycling grants.	\$6,413	Prop 13	0.0	
Drinking Water Quality Program				
- Supports management of grants awarded by the board in past grant cycles.	\$130	Prop 50	1.3	X
- Supports management of grants awarded by the board in past grant cycles.	\$82	Prop 13	0.8	X
Total Governor's Budget	\$8,315		19.2	
Total Senate Budget	\$1,902		19.2	